REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested. Claims 19-28 remain pending. No new matter is added.

Interview Summary

The undersigned Applicants' representative thanks Examiner Kee Tung for taking the time to conduct a telephone interview on November 15, 2006. During the interview, proposed amendments were discussed that were believed to overcome the 35 U.S.C. § 101 rejection. Examiner Tung agreed that the proposed amendments would indeed overcome the rejection. Accordingly, Applicants now submit amendments identical to those proposed during the interview.

Claim Rejections

Claims 19-28 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter. It is alleged that these claims do not recite or result in a useful, concrete, and tangible result.

Independent claim 19 is amended to further include receiving a user input that includes the digital ink stroke, and displaying a representation of the digital ink stroke having smoothed widths and smoothed rotations at a plurality of sampling locations. Thus, amended claim 19 specifically recites a useful, concrete, and tangible result: a smoothed digital ink stroke is produced from a user input.

Independent claim 22 is amended to further include receiving a user input that includes the digital ink stroke, and displaying a representation of the digital ink stroke including a representation of pen tip instances having smoothed rotations. Thus, amended claim 22 also specifically recites a useful, concrete, and tangible result: a smoothed digital ink stroke is produced from a user input.

The dependent claims are also allowable by virtue of depending from allowable independent claims, and further in view of the additional features recited therein.

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Conclusion

No other rejections having been made, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone call would expedite prosecution, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the number below.

Respectfully submitted,

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